

# METH ACTION TEAM NEWS

January 2010

Items of interest from members of the King County Meth Action Team



National DEC is hosting an upcoming webinar

## **Prescription Drug Abuse**

Wednesday, January 20, from 10.30am – 11.30pm PST  
**presented by Steve Freng, Prevention/Treatment Manager for the Northwest HIDTA**

Steve Freng will discuss the types of prescription medications abused by youth and adults for non-medical purposes, including opiates, stimulants and sedatives; the actions and effects of specific medications within each type; and recent trends in prescription medication abuse at national, regional and local levels. In addition, the presenter will touch on the effects of pre-natal exposure to prescription medications on newborns and on childhood development, and approaches for the prevention of prescription medication abuse.

Space is limited. Reserve your webinar seat now at: <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/844378507>

For more information, contact:

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## **Adverse Childhood Experience: ACE**

Tuesday, January 26, 2010, 9:00-12:00

Washington State Criminal Justice Training Center (WSCJTC, "The Academy")  
19010 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. S., Burien, WA 98148

You are invited to join the King County Community Organizing Program and their Citizen Advisory Board to learn about the Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE) study.

This study, which is a collaboration between the CDC and Kaiser Permanente, analyzes the relationship between multiple categories of childhood trauma and health and behavioral outcomes later in life. Social service agencies have embraced this data as a way to rethink their health models on how to solve child, family, and social problems.

Our presenter, Jane Place, has been certified by the Washington Family Policy Council, who has taken a lead role in bringing the ACE data to our state. She has presented this study to dozens of groups around the state and is always inspired by the reactions to this groundbreaking information.

For more information, contact Laura Edwards, Program Manager, King County Community Organizing Program, 206-263-8928, [laura.edwards@kingcounty.gov](mailto:laura.edwards@kingcounty.gov).

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This report is provided by the Washington State Patrol Forensic Laboratory Services Bureau

## Methamphetamine Statistics - December 2009

*The statistics include all of Washington State*

	Nov 2009	Oct 2009	Change	Change (%)	Nov 2009	Nov 2008	Change	Change (%)	2009 YTD	2008 YTD	Change	Change (%)	Last 12 months	Prior 12 months	Change	Change (%)
Deaths - meth involved	20	16	4	25.0	20	5	15	300.0	209	178	31	17.4	227	203	24	11.8
DUI - meth	29	25	4	16.0	29	23	6	26.1	354	331	23	6.9	389	345	44	12.8
Tox cases - meth positive in children 15 and younger	1	0	1	0.0	1	0	1	0.0	3	15	(12)	(80.0)	3	15	(12)	(80.0)
Con Sub cases - meth positive	281	237	44	18.6	281	372	(91)	(24.5)	4,201	4,785	(584)	(12.2)	4,638	5,214	(576)	(11.0)
Clan Labs received - WSP	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	2	(2)	(100.0)	0	2	(2)	(100.0)
Clan Labs received - Other Agencies	0	5	(5)	(100.0)	0	2	(2)	(100.0)	38	34	4	11.8	41	37	4	10.8
Total Clan Labs received	0	5	(5)	(100.0)	0	2	(2)	(100.0)	38	36	2	5.6	41	39	2	5.1
Clan Labs completed	3	2	1	50.0	3	2	1	50.0	30	42	(12)	(28.6)	30	48	(18)	(37.5)
Clan Labs cases pending	17	19	(2)	(10.5)	17	3	14	466.7								

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## In the News

### **Authorities investigate meth lab explosion on Vashon**

<http://www.pnwlocalnews.com/vashon/vib/news/80935092.html>

Vashon-Maury Island Beachcomber, Monday, January 11, 2010: Amelia Heagerty

### **Illegal Drug Lab Cleanups**

<http://www.countyofkingwa.us/healthservices/health/ehs/toxic/methlabs.aspx>

Public Health – Seattle & King County

### **NW HIDTA Threat Assessment & Strategy 2010**

<http://www.mfiles.org/images/hidta/Newsletters/Aug%202009.pdf>

### **Funding Initiative Passed for Meth Prevention in Pierce County**

<http://murray.senate.gov/news.cfm?id=320589>

[http://www.lakestevensjournal.com/county-state/article.exm/2009-11-05\\_funding\\_for\\_washington\\_state\\_meth\\_prevention\\_passes\\_full\\_senate](http://www.lakestevensjournal.com/county-state/article.exm/2009-11-05_funding_for_washington_state_meth_prevention_passes_full_senate)

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## About the Meth Action Team

The Meth Action Team is a coordinated effort between Law Enforcement, Prevention & Treatment and members in our community who are interested in working together to deal with the unique challenges of methamphetamines.

If you'd like more information about the Meth Action Team, please contact :

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If you'd like to be included on our email distribution list or have items to contribute to our newsletter, please contact Cindy at [cindy.petitt@kingcounty.gov](mailto:cindy.petitt@kingcounty.gov) or call (206) 296-7549.